

**CITY OF EDGEWOOD
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
December 18, 2006
6:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Link called the meeting of the Edgewood City Council to order at 6:30 PM in the council chambers of the Edgewood City Building. The following council members were present: Nancy Atkinson, Bill Grady, Dale Henson, Scott Guenther, and Ray Spears. Also in attendance was City Attorney Linda Schaeffer in attendance for Frank Wichmann, City Administrator Roger Rolfes and City Clerk Jeanette Kemper. Council members Mark Steffen and Jeff Schreiber were absent.

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – No changes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – **December 4, 2006 Meeting Minutes** - Mr. Guenther made a motion to adopt the December 4, 2006 meeting minutes as written; seconded by Mrs. Atkinson. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 0 nays.**

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Proclamation 2006-10 for Eagle Scout Daniel Briggs – Mayor Link read the proclamation to Eagle Scout Daniel Briggs from Troop

Mayor's Report – Mayor Link had no report.

Administrator's Report – Mr. Rolfes explained the reason for revising tonight's agenda. It was discussed at the Mayor's Group Meeting that if the city wanted to apply for a grant to pay 80% of the cost of installing a sidewalk along Dixie Highway from Dudley Road to the north entry of the Crestview Hills Town Center then the city must pass a resolution that would accompany the grant application.

CITIZENS DESIRING RECOGNITION ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Gazebo – Adam Rigsby, Eagle Scout building the gazebo, showed council a plan of the gazebo. He said it was decided to go with the 18 ft. octagonal shaped gazebo. It will provide 254 square feet of space. This shape/size was chosen because the oval shaped gazebo would have only provided 240 sq. ft. This shape also looks more original. An engineer advised him that installing the green sheet metal roof would be very work intensive and would look very commercial and like a shelter. He said they're leaning towards an asphalt shingle roof rather than a wood shingle roof because the wood shingle costs double what the asphalt shingle would be. The asphalt would last longer as well.

The floor of the gazebo will be made of pavers that will be flush with the pavers on the outside of the gazebo and there will be a walkway there as well. The floor will be done this way to meet ADA requirements. There will be seven benches on seven of the eight sides on the interior of the gazebo. The height of the gazebo will be 11 feet 11.5 inches. The total cost of the project will be a minimum of \$2,000. Mr. Guenther said he is happy with the shape and dimension and was leaning towards an asphalt roof and congratulated Mr. Rigsby on a job well done so far. Mr. Rigsby asked council if they prefer green or black shingles for the roof; his choice would be the dark gray or black to contrast a little more. Mr. Grady said he would like to see a traditional grayish wood colored shingle. Mrs. Atkinson and Mr. Spears said they also like the shaped. Mr. Rolfes said it would be a good idea to get the asphalt shingle that looks like the wood shingle as best as we can. Those shingles are called dimensional shingles. Mayor Link instructed Mr. Rigsby to go with dimensional shingles. Mr. Rigsby will probably start the project the first week of January. Mr. Rolfes advised Mr. Rigsby that public works is working on getting electric to the green box by the light post; should be done this week. Mayor Link said the city would grade out the area, level it and lay gravel.

NEW BUSINESS

Cancel January 1, 2007 meeting due to the holiday – Mr. Guenther made a **motion** to cancel the January 1, 2007 meeting due to the holiday; second by Mrs. Atkinson. Mr. Grady voted nay. **Motion passed: 4 ayes – 1 nay.**

Authorization to participate in the joint purchase of an electronic fingerprint system – Chief Kramer stated the school board safety officer contacted him about purchasing an electronic fingerprint system. Apparently, the Board of Education and six police departments, including Edgewood, are all attempting to get together to purchase this electronic fingerprinting system. The schools will use it for IDs, the police departments will be able to use it for child identification tags as well as some actual police related fingerprint work. Our requested portion of the cost is \$1,500. Chief Kramer said they would obtain the funds either through overages or through their contingency fund. However, a business owner who sends employees to the police department to be fingerprinted for background checks had indicated that he may be willing to purchase a live scan system for the police department depending upon the cost. Not sure whether or not where he stands at this point. But in case that doesn't work out then Chief Kramer asked council to authorize the expenditure of up to \$1,500 for this project.

Later in the agenda Chief Kramer said he'll be asking for permission to sell one of their surplus cruisers and perhaps they could take that money from the sale of the cruiser and put it towards this project. Mayor Link said if we share it with everyone else what would be the availability if you needed it at noon. Chief Kramer said it would have to be preplanned. He said we could use it for National Night Out, Open House, etc. events that are scheduled. Mr. Grady asked if they have to fingerprint the people they arrest and Chief Kramer said they don't; that is done at the jail.

The total cost is approximately \$18,000, the school board will be putting up \$9000 and then six police departments would put up \$1500 each. The school board has gotten two firm commitments. The machine will probably be house at one of the schools. Mr.

Guenther felt that if this is something that for safety purposes we need for the school children then it would make sense to get it; not sure if it's necessary to have two of them. He suggested to see if the anonymous donor wants to proceed with it and if so, commit the \$1500 to help pay for the one that would be housed here and if for whatever reason he decides he doesn't want to proceed with the project then he wouldn't have a problem with committing \$1500 for the portable system. Chief Kramer will find out what the man wishes to do. Mr. Grady asked why the school board is going to the cities to fund the project when this is something they should ordinarily be doing themselves. Chief Kramer said like everyone else in government they're trying to make the most of their dollars, the school board looks at it as a way to leverage their resources and to come into partnership with agencies that may want to be involved in this. Mr. Grady doesn't think the cities would have much access to it. Chief Kramer said they would have access to it; it'll have to be a preplanned event. Mr. Grady said it sounds like a donation to the school board than anything else. Mrs. Atkinson said she has used the identification system through Edgewood for her children since she has lived here and she thinks it's an outstanding idea and it's something the city could benefit from. Mr. Spears asked as far as the school board use of the machine would it require a police officer to be present. Chief Kramer said the school board has a safety officer who is a sworn police officer and that officer has an ORI number so he could do that; it depends on the application. Mr. Spears said it'd be nice if they could schedule days for the different departments and allow the different departments to house it.

Mr. Guenther made a **motion** to approve the expenditure of up to \$1500 for the electronic fingerprint machine; second by Mr. Spears. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 0 nays.**

Bus Shelter – Mr. Rolfes stated that we have been contacted by TANK and asked if we would be willing to partner with them to install a bus shelter at Edgewood Road and Dixie Highway. We would be asked to provide the concrete pad; TANK would provide the bus shelter free of charge. It would be similar to the bus shelter in front of St. Pius. That shelter, from time to time, does have some advertising in it; we would expect the same to occur with this one. The advertising seems to be tastefully done so we would not see that as a major problem. This would also give the city the opportunity to, hopefully, get rid of the benches that we have been attempting to get rid of for the last year and a half. Those benches belong to an advertising agency and their attorneys are claiming that they are a preexisting nonconforming and have a right to remain there. Our evidence indicates the benches are in the right-of-way and therefore should be removed. We may have some issues with that but we think it would be in the city's best interest if we do ultimately take whatever steps are necessary to finally get rid of those benches. Council said they would rather see a shelter than benches.

ORDINANCES, MUNICIPAL ORDERS, AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance 2006-12-13 Budget amendment – 2nd reading – Mrs. Schaeffer read the ordinance. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, IN KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, AMENDING EDGEWOOD ORDINANCE NO. 2006-06-07 AND THE BUDGET ADOPTED THEREBY FOR THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON JULY 1, 2006 AND ENDING ON JUNE

30, 2007. Mr. Henson made a **motion** to adopt ordinance 2006-12-13; second by Mrs. Atkinson. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 0 nays.**

Ordinance 2006-12-14 Traffic signs – 2nd reading – Mrs. Schaeffer read the ordinance. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, IN KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, ESTABLISHING MOTOR VEHICLE REGULATIONS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE CITY, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF. The signs are a no parking fire lane on northeast side of Beech and on the west side of Beech Drive and Dudley Road. Mr. Guenther made a **motion** to adopt ordinance 2006-12-14; second by Mr. Spears. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 0 nays.**

Municipal Order 2006-11 declare 2001 Ford Crown Victoria cruiser as surplus property – Mrs. Atkinson made a **motion** to adopt Municipal Order 2006-11; second by Mr. Spears. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 0 nays.**

Resolution 2006-08 authorization to sell the 2001 Ford Crown Victoria to the Butler Police Department for \$1,000 – Mr. Henson made a **motion** to adopt Resolution 2006-08; second by Mrs. Atkinson. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 0 nays.**

Resolution 2006-09 Dixie Highway Sidewalk – Mr. Spears made a **motion** to adopt Resolution 2006-09; second by Mr. Guenther. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 0 nays.**

Mr. Grady said at the last meeting we had talked about striping Charter Oak Road. He stated that when driving and you come to a bend in the road where there's an intersection there isn't any middle line to follow and he thought it would be a safety thing if we could continue a single line going around the bend. Particularly at nighttime when there's no stripes at all it could cause confusion. He's talking about Metcalfe and Sandalwood off Charter Oak. He said when people come around those bends they lose track of the middle of the road. Chief Kramer said the manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices, which regulates signs and markings, governs the striping of the highways. We have adopted this manual and must follow it. Chief Kramer said he'd consult the manual with Mr. Goetz and see what they can do.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Reminder - Swearing In Ceremony will be held on Wednesday, December 20th at 6:30 p.m.
- Fitness classes will begin January 2nd, registration deadline is December 27th; call the city building for information.
- Adult Art Classes will be offered on Wednesday evenings from January 3rd to February 21st for \$35; register by December 27th.
- Holiday trash schedule – there will be no pick up on Monday December 25th and Monday January 1st and no make up day; residents on the Monday/Thursday schedule will only have pick up on Thursday of those two weeks.
- Christmas tree mulching – Christmas trees may be dropped off in the designated areas in both Presidents and Freedom Parks until January 19th.

RECOGNITION OF RETIRING COUNCILMEMBERS – this was the last meeting for Council members Bill Grady and Scott Guenther. Mayor Link read proclamations making each a Lord High Sheriff of the Woods and presented them with plaques of appreciation.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Grady made a **motion** to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Guenther. **Motion passed: 5 ayes – 0 nays.**

Mayor John D. Link

Attest: _____
Jeanette Kemper, City Clerk

Date passed: _____